

**Introduced by Senator Figueroa**

February 22, 2002

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An act to amend Sections 2001, 2020, and 3504 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to healing arts.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1950, as introduced, Figueroa. Healing arts: Medical Board of California and Physician Assistant Committee.

Existing law, the Medical Practice Act, creates the Medical Board of California within the Department of Consumer Affairs and authorizes the board to employ an executive director and other assistance. Existing law also creates within the board the Physician Assistant Committee. Under existing law, these provisions creating the committee and the board and authorizing it to employ an executive director and other assistance become inoperative on July 1, 2003, and are repealed on January 1, 2004.

This bill would delete these inoperative dates and would extend the provisions creating the committee and the board and its authorization to employ an executive director and other assistance to an unspecified date.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 2001 of the Business and Professions
- 2 Code is amended to read:

2001. There is in the Department of Consumer Affairs a Medical Board of California ~~which~~ *that* consists of 19 members, seven of whom shall be public members.

The Governor shall appoint 17 members to the board, subject to confirmation by the Senate, five of whom shall be public members. The Senate Rules Committee and the Speaker of the Assembly shall each appoint a public member, and their initial appointment shall be made to fill, respectively, the first and second public member vacancies ~~which~~ *that* occur on or after January 1, 1983.

This section shall become inoperative on July 1, ~~2003~~ \_\_\_\_\_, and, as of January 1, ~~2004~~ \_\_\_\_\_, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, which becomes effective on or before January 1, ~~2004~~ \_\_\_\_\_, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed. The repeal of this section renders the board subject to the review required by Division 1.2 (commencing with Section 473).

SEC. 2. Section 2020 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

2020. The board may employ an executive director exempt from the provisions of the Civil Service Act and may also employ investigators, legal counsel, medical consultants, and other assistance as it may deem necessary to carry into effect this chapter. The board may fix the compensation to be paid for services subject to the provisions of applicable state laws and regulations and may incur other expenses as it may deem necessary. Investigators employed by the board shall be provided special training in investigating medical practice activities.

The Attorney General shall act as legal counsel for the board for any judicial and administrative proceedings and his or her services shall be a charge against it.

This section shall become inoperative on July 1, ~~2003~~ \_\_\_\_\_, and, as of January 1, ~~2004~~ \_\_\_\_\_, is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, which becomes effective on or before January 1, ~~2004~~ \_\_\_\_\_, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and is repealed.

SEC. 3. Section 3504 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:



1     3504. There is established a Physician Assistant Committee  
2 of the Medical Board of California. The committee consists of nine  
3 members.

4     This section shall become inoperative on July 1, ~~2003~~ \_\_\_\_\_,  
5 and, as of January 1, ~~2004~~ \_\_\_\_\_, is repealed, unless a later enacted  
6 statute, which becomes effective on or before January 1, ~~2004~~  
7 \_\_\_\_\_, deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative  
8 and is repealed. The repeal of this section renders the committee  
9 subject to the review required by Division 1.2 (commencing with  
10 Section 473).

